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ARTS & SCIENCES MEETING/WORKSHOP

There will be an Arts & Sciences Meeting/Workshop on THURSDAY, March 17, A. S. XXII, at 7 PM at 622 Whedbee. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. The subject for this month's meeting will be ???????.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MARCH:

5 - Grand Russian Wedding (Unser Hafen)* Lady Anastazia (303) 484-4970
7 - ***SHIRE MEETING***, 7 PM, Rm 206, Student Center
12 - Fighting Demo Prize Tourney (Fontaine dans Sable)* Lad Esme Ffoulkes (505) 327-1224
13 - Unofficial Fighter Practice Plus (Caerthe)* Master Oda (303) 622-4343
17 - ***GUILD MEETING***, 7 PM, 622 Whedbee
19 - Courturies Defender Tourney & Part III Arts & Sciences Competition (Caerthe)*
26 - Baronial Investiture (Citadel)
26 - Barbarian Revel (Ard Thir)* Brumbar (307) 632-9325

APRIL:

2 - Feast of Fools (Dragonsspine)* Morwyn (303) 531-9427
9 - Crown Tournament and Part IV Arts & Sciences Competition (Caer Mithin Halle)
23 - Caerthen Arts & Sciences (Caerthe)

MAY:

7 - Chivalry Tournament (Caerthe)* Master Odan (303) 622-4343
14 - Coronation and Part V Arts & Sciences Competition (Unser Hafen)
28 - Grand Outlandish XV (al-Barran)

JUNE:

25 - Oasis Event II (Pawnee National Grassland, Briggsdale, CO)

Items with * after them are detailed in this issue. Items with + before them are out-of-Kingdom events. The deadline for artwork or articles is the 16th of the previous month.

ART CREDITS: Re-run

GRAND RUSSIAN WEDDING

On March 5, A.S. XXII (1988), we, Dmitri Nikolaivych Petrovoskyj and Anastazia Winogrodzka, will celebrate our SCA wedding. We wish to invite all to come and witness this union. The ceremony will take place at Fort Collins' City Park. (The bad weather site will be the same as the reception site - the V.F.W. Post 1781, 603 Lesser Drive, Fort Collins, CO. THIS IS A STRICTLY DRY SITE. ANYONE NOT COMPLYING WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE!!!)

The approximate schedule of events is:

12:00 Noon - Preliminary Hall Set-up
2:30 PM - Congregational Gathering at City Park - Dress appropriately and bring your own seating.
3:00 PM - Start of the Ceremony
6:00 PM - Start of the Feast
11:00 PM - Site Closure and Clean-up

The tentative Menu is:

ON THE TABLE: Sdoba, Syr, Borshch Ukrainsky, Pirozhki
FIRST COURSE: Taidetud Vasikarind, Plov, Agurkai su Rukcscia Grietne
SECOND COURSE: Satsivi, Plov, Tushenyi Morkov'
THIRD COURSE: Zemlyanika, Plov, Mdzhavai Kombosto
FOURTH COURSE: Coffee and Dessert Buffet to include: Samsa, Medivnyk, Aleksander Torte and Imbirnaya Kovrizhka

The Event Fee is $7.50/adult and $5.00/child under 12. Reservations should be sent, with full payment, to the Feast-ocrat. At-the-door reservations will be made at her discretion.

For more information, contact:

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121 North Whitcomb
Fort Collins, CO 80521
(303) 484-4970

FEAST-OCRAT:
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c/o Ellen Young
P. O. Box 56
Timnath, CO 80547
(303) 224-3389

PRAY ATTEND!

Due to a minor omission on the notices,
(**Yes**, this is my first Autocrat job
and **No**, I may never do it again.),
We, the Autocrat and the Feast-ocrat
for the Grand Russian Wedding,
need to know how many of you
are coming to the Event.

We need to know by

FEBRUARY 29.

(**YES**, we will take phone
reservations!!!)

So, if anyone is coming,
or knows anyone who would like to come,

PLEASE
call and let us know;
otherwise, there will be

for some people.

Thank you.

Anastazia

P.S. Feast-ocrat bribes for at-the-door reservations can include Poole's Irish Liqueur.

FIGHTER PRACTICE PLUS

GREETINGS.

We, Master Odan and Lady Alianna, will be hosting an unofficial fighter practice, armoring help, etc., at our place on the following Sundays at 2:00 PM: February 21, March 13, April 3, and April 17.

If you wish to pratice rattan, fencing or shinai, work on armor, costuming, needlework, or just have fun, come join us. If you are a newcomer and wish to meet a few people on an informal basis, you are more than welcome. The only request we have is to have fun. We realize we are a distance from Caerthe but hope to see many of you in spite of that.

For more information, call 1-622-4343.

CHIVALRY TOURNAMENT

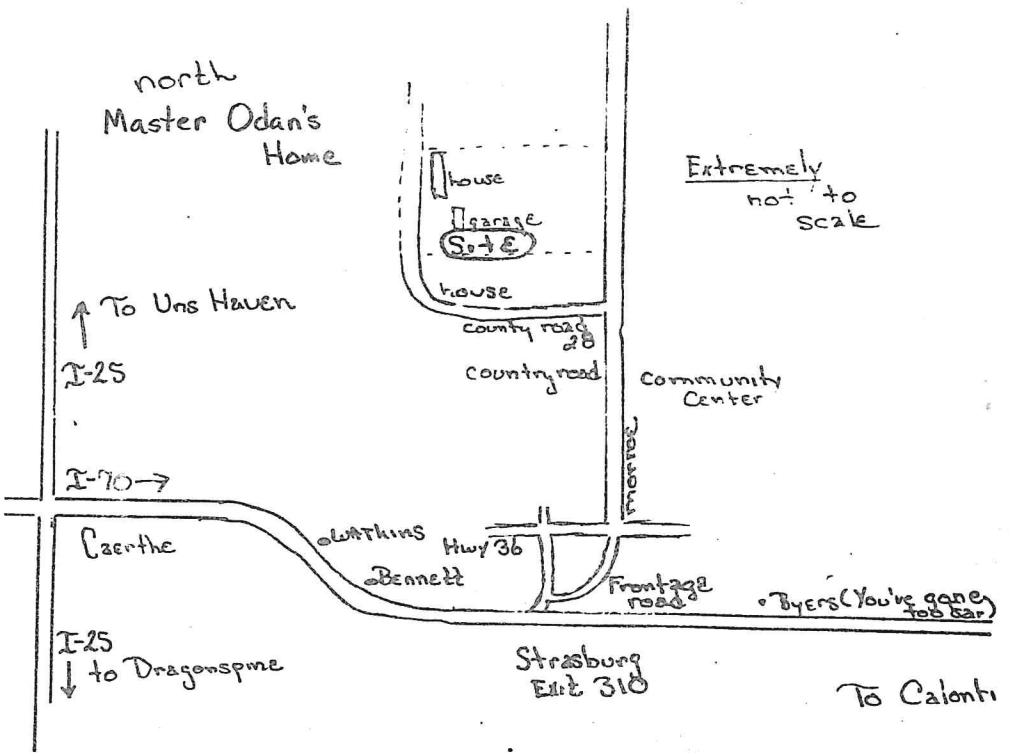
To all good, fun-loving gentles who read these letters, Master Odan and House Halogaland send you greetings:

On the weekend of May 7-8, Master Odan and House Halogaland will be hosting a Chivalry Tournament on the Halogaland Manor, approximately 30 miles east of Caerthe. This will be a camping event and a wet site.

This is a chance for all good gentles to display their chivalry in any or all of the contests, games and activities. There will be fighting - rattan, shinai and fencing - as well as all sorts of games and other fun stuff. Also there will be a feast on Saturday night.

There will be at least on bardic circle. SCA filk songs and old war stories will be encouraged. This is NOT a competition. PLEASE NOTE: THERE IS NO SHADE, so please bring shade pavilions.

Details will follow. If you can't wait or need other information, please call 1-622-4343.



Fighting Demo and Prize Tourney

Shire Fontaine dans Sable is holding a fighting demo Saturday, March 12, and a prize tourney, Sunday, March 13. We would like to demonstrate to the public weavy weapons combat, light weapons, archery and Shinai. The demo will start at approximately 11:00 a.m. at Kiwanis Park.

The prize tourney will be held at the same location and we hope to have some type of weapon as first prize.

On the evening of March 12 we plan a Purpure Revel at Salmon Ruins. Everyone is encouraged to come garbed in purple and there will be a purple dessert contest. The contest entries will be served during the revel which begins at 7:30 p.m.

There is limited crash space available so reservations are required. The park is dry and the revel site is discreetly wet. The fee is $5.00 for the whole weekend.

For more information contact:
Autocrats: Lady Esme filoukes of Mercia or Erin MacGuire at 327-1224
Seneschal: Lady Nykolette Courcy de Navarre at 326-1922

Courturiers Tourney and Feast

The Ladies of Les Courturieres de Caerthe invite one and all to their Third Annual Defender Tourney and Feast, to be held in March, at St Andrew's Seminary located at Birch Street off of Colorado Blvd. and Mississippi in Denver. The exact date will be published in the next Herald.

The tourney is scheduled to be a single-fight double-elimination list, with the winner being styled The Household Defender. The winner will be presented with a chainmail coif, the household favor and sword, and a gift of next year's Twelfth Night costume.

The feast will consist of the following:

On the Table
Breads, Cheeses, Fruits, and Nuts

Course the First
Beef and Barley Soup

Course the Second
Roast Beef, Mushrooms, and Rice

Course the Third
Dishes from the Arts and Sciences Competition

Course the Fourth
Desserts and Sotelties

The Barony of Caerthe is unable to finance local events, due to past difficulties. Therefore, all feast reservations **MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE NO LATER THAN MARCH 10th 1988.** Feast reservations cannot be accepted at the door or over the farspeaker, and no off-board space until after 9 p.m. Feast fees are $6 for adults, and $2 for children under 12. Site fees are $2 for adults and $1 for children. Checks may be sent to the Autocrat:

Lady Mirianna Wren
c/o Valerie Oswald
1401 East Girard Place #273
Englewood, CO 80110
(303) 789-2196

Feastocrat:

Lady Morgwen ni Lochsolas
c/o Michelle Ruiz
3000 Colorado #106B
Boulder, CO 80303
(303) 442-0959

Tourney:

Lady Cymber of the Darkwater
c/o K.C. Chase
303 S. Gilpin
Denver, CO 80209
(303) 777-2353

Crash space:

Her Ladyship Wyndylyn na Doinnean
c/o Jean Hortman
2562 Grape Street
Denver, CO 80207
(303) 355-6598

Lord Harold Thredar and Baron Eric Edmundsson
Announce A
Cook's and Brewer's Competition and Collegeium

The March segment of the Kingdom Arts & Sciences competition will be in the categories of Cooking and Brewing & Vintning. It will be held in conjunction with the Barony of Caerthe's Couturies Defender Tourney and Feast on the 19th of March 1988. Maps and site fees will be forthcoming in the information for that event. I anticipate that there will be a difference in feast fee for competitors versus the general populace since the competitors will essentially be supplying the feast.

YOU MAY WISH TO KEEP THIS PAGE FOR FUTURE REFERENENCE AS I DO NOT PLAN TO REQUEST THAT THE OUTLANDISH HERALD REPRINT THIS INFORMATION.

You may anticipate that I will give you the "opportunity" to pre-register for the competition. The purpose of pre-registration is so that we have some foreknowledge of the "balance" of foods for the feast. I expect to make it advantageous to you to pre-register.

The competiton will be open to all comers. Here are the rules for the Cook's competition:

Each entry must clearly fit into one of the defined categories. There will be a prize for the first place winner in each category.

Each entrant may enter as many dishes as he/she is willing (crazy enough) to enter. However, each dish must provide sufficient quantity for at least 15 normal portions. (We will request that folk sample the dishes, taking only 1/4 of the normal portion so that approximately 50 persons may sample and judge each dish.)

Dishes need not be made to "period" recipies but must conform to European period standards. By this I mean that potatoes and cornbread will not be accepted as contest entries. But the use of sugar, in lieu of honey, or the use of cream cheese, in lieu of an expensive and/or unobtainable European cheese, or the substitution of cranberries for bog-berries, all meet the criteria. Bye the bye, sugar can be documented in period but it came via caravans and was very very dear and never white. Consequently it was used as a spice, not as a sweetner.

Each dish requires documentation as well as the exact recipie, precicely as presented.

The reason for the documentation is obvious. But I do not mean that you must prove that your dish was served in period. If you can do so, fine. On the other hand, we can show that sesame oil was used in cooking in Persia in pre-Roman times. We also can show that olive oil was used in cooking in Egypt during the pyramid construction era. I am unaware of any documented evidence that anyone in period combined them and added garlic or onion to create what we today would call a salad dressing. But they could have done so. And several of you have expressed your pleasure with my Middle Eastern salad dresssing. It is my intent that such recipies will be considered period for the purposes of this competition.

There are at least two reasons for wanting the recipie for the dish precicely as offered. First it affords the finicky, as well as the truly allergic, the opportunity to avoid those dishes which are unsuitable to them. Second, it allows us to begin a compendium of recipies as the basis for a new cookbook. (Future fundraiser for the Kingdom, perhaps?)

I'm eliminating meat dishes for a couple of reasons. First, they tend to be more expensive per portion than other dishes and, second, the Couturies will be providing a main course meat dish. This doesn't mean that someone who wishes to enter a haggis, or a liver and kidney pye, or cod jerky, will be excluded, but you will be put into the OTHER category.

In case I haven't already made it clear, the feast will, of necessity, be served sideboard style.

The first place prize in each category will be a period cookbook. I have copies of such out-of-print tomes as To The King's Taste, Fabulous Feasts, and To The Queen's Taste. I have not yet determined which cookbook will go with which category.

The categories are:

MAIN COURSE MEATLESS DISHES

VEGETABLE ACCOMPANIMENTS

MAIN COURSE CUSTARDS
- *Quiche*

BREADS
- *Festive breads*
- *Table breads*

SWEETS
- *Pies and tarts*
- *Cakes*
- *Puddings*
- *Custards*
- *Cheese cakes*
- *Dessert breads*

SOUPS and STEWS

SALADS
- *Winter vegetables*
- *Summer vegetables*
- *Fruit salads*
- *Cooked salads*

SUBTLTIES and SPECTICAL FOODS

OTHER

During the day, and scheduled so as to minimize any conflict with the events planned by the Couturies, there will be a Cooking Collegeium. The courses have not been determined at this time. If you wish to conduct a course, please contact Lord Harold at the address noted below.

Judging for the Vintner's and Brewer's Competition will be more traditional. The senior judge (aided by His Majesty) for the competition will be the Kingdom Minister of Arts & Sciences, Baron Eric Edmundsson. He will select the other judges, determine the prizes, and finalize the rules. There will be the following categories:

BEERS	*WINES*
Light	*Dry Red*
Dark	*Sweet Red*
	Dry White
ALES	*Sweet White*
MEADS	*LIQUEURS*
NON-ALCOHOLIC	

COMPETITION-O-CRAT

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FIRST ANNUAL BARBARIAN'S REVEL

DATE - 26 March, A.S. XXII
SITE - 528 S. Lincoln #15, Laramie, WY
START - 6:00 p.m.
SITE FEE - $2.00
AUTOCRAT - BRUMMBAR DER BARENFUHRER

Announcing the first annual Barbarian's Revel to be held Saturday, 26 March, A.S. XXII. There shall be competitions for Best Story, Best Riddle and many others. Prizes shall be awarded by the Autocrat. A prize of 2 ounces of silver will be awarded for the Best Storyteller and for the Best Riddler. This is a WET site and finger foods shall be provided, BUT you MUST Bring Your Own Fingers. If you require refreshment, it is advised that you bring your own.
Dress shall be, casual, comfortable, and, preferably, slightly gaudy.

For more information, please contact the Autocrat at:

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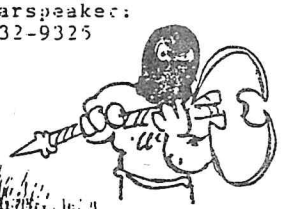
c/o Chris Way
P.O. Box 107
Cheyenne, WY 82003

Farspeaker:
632-9325

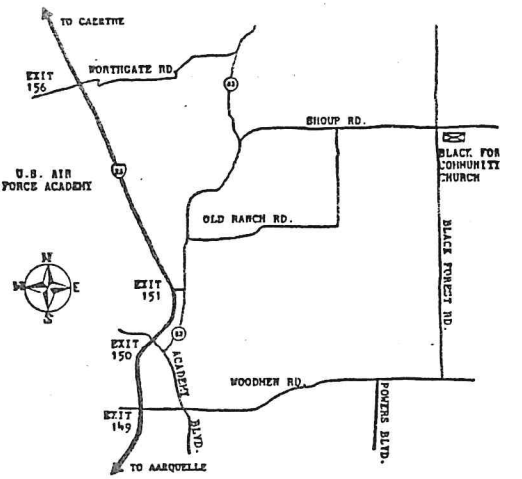


The Barony of Dragonsspine invites
ou to join in the fun as it hosts a
east of Fools revel to be held April
nd, 1988, at 6:30PM at the Black Forest
ommunity Church (see map).

The main event of this revel will be
he "Pun-a-Costume" contest, with a prize
o be awarded for the "punniest" costume.
xample: A polka-dot dress or tunic
ould be period garb. There will also be
Blindfold, Bell & Pillow game (Curious?
ome and find out!) as well as dancing
nd other entertainment.

Site fee is $3.00 per person, or
1.00 if you bring a contribution to the
ideboard. Sideboard dishes should feed
-6 people. Families may want to consi-
er bringing a platter or crockpot of
heir specialty. The site is discreetly
et, but please - wine only. A non-
lcoholic punch will be provided.

Reservations are not necessary, but
SVP's would be <u>greatly</u> appreciated.
nyone wishing to provide entertainment
hould contact the Autocrat at the address
elow.



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(303)531-9427 (no calls after 10PM)

The Shire Of Caer Galen is inordinately pleased to announce the Commencement of the Caer Galen Fighter Practice. The Time is Thursday night at 7:45 until at least 10:00. The location is Carden School(the same site as Caer Galen Defender), and is indoors. All combatants are welcome, be They Heavy Weapons, Rapier, Shinai, Tai Chi, or what have you. Any questions may be directed to Lord Alexandre at 442-0959. Since this is not a free site, any donations will be gratefully accepted.

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